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Application Number	10/022,599
Filing Date	December 13, 2001
First Named Inventor	Thomas R. Neuschwander
Art Unit	2834
Examiner Name	K. Tamai
Attorney Docket Number	LHC0091-08

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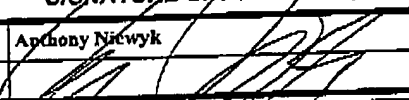
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- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
2. **Miscellaneous**
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-0385
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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**Complete if Known**

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Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee	
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
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**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND**

Extra Claims		Fee from below		Fee Paid
Total Claims				
	-20** =	0	X	0.00
Independent Claims	-3** =	0	X	0.00
Multiple Dependent				

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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2)					(\$) 50.00

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1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	2053	65	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	2812	1,260	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	2804	460*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	2805	920*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	2451	755	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	470	2502	235	Design issue fee	
1503	630	2503	315	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	2460	65	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	2807	25	Processing fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(q)	
1806	180	2806	90	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	
8021	40	2801	20	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	750	2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	750.00
1802	900	2802	450	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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